UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

WARNER BROS., INC., UNIVERSAL-POLYGRAM INTERNATIONAL PUBLISHING, INC., CHAPPELL & CO., INC. AND BOURNE CO.,

Civil Action No.

Plaintiffs, 05-40202 FDS

-against-

COMPLAINT

SAHARA, INC.,

Defendant.

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Plaintiffs, complaining of the Defendant, by Holland & Knight, LLP, their attorneys, allege:

- 1. This is a suit for copyright infringement under Title 17, U.S.C. Jurisdiction of this Court is based upon Title 28, U.S.C., Section 1338(a).
- 2. Plaintiffs allege five (5) causes of action for copyright infringement based on the Defendant's public performances of copyrighted musical compositions. SCHEDULE A annexed to the Complaint sets forth in summary form the allegations hereinafter made with respect to the Plaintiffs, their copyrighted musical compositions, and Defendant's acts of infringement.

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- 3. Plaintiffs named in Column 2 (all references to columns are to columns in SCHEDULE A) are the owners of the copyrights in the works listed in Column 3, and are properly joined in this complaint under Rule 20, Fed. R. Civ. P.
- 4. Defendant Sahara, Inc. is a Massachusetts corporation which did at the times hereinafter mentioned and still does own, control, manage, operate and maintain a place of business for public entertainment, accommodation, amusement and refreshment known as Sahara Café, located at 143 Highland Street, in Worcester, in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
- 5. Musical compositions were and are publicly performed at said place of business.
- 6. The original musical compositions listed in Column 3 were created and written by the persons named in Column 4.
- 7. Each composition was published on the date stated in Column 5, and since the date of publication has been printed and published in strict conformity with Title 17, U.S.C.
- 8. The Plaintiffs named in each cause of action, including their predecessors in interest, if any, complied in all respects with Title 17, U.S.C., and secured the exclusive

rights and privileges in and to the copyright of each composition listed in Column 3, and received from the Register of Copyrights a Certificate of Registration, identified as set forth in Column 6.

- 9. All of the compositions are now in the renewal term of copyright, secured by due filing of an application for renewal of copyright in the office of the Register of Copyrights. The Register of Copyrights thereupon issued a Certificate of Registration of the respective claims to the renewal of copyrights in the names of those claimants listed in Column 7. The dates and identification numbers of such certificates are set forth in Column 8.
- and upon information and belief, at other times prior and subsequent thereto, infringed the copyright in each composition named in Column 3 by giving public performances of the compositions on Defendant's premises, for the entertainment and amusement of the patrons attending said premises, and Defendant threatens to continue such infringing performances.
- 11. The performances of the Plaintiffs' copyrighted musical compositions on the dates specified in Column 9 on Defendant's premises were unauthorized: neither Defendant, nor

any of the Defendant's agents, servants or employees, nor any performer was licensed by, or otherwise received permission from any Plaintiff or any agent, servant or employee of any Plaintiff to give such performances.

- 12. In undertaking the conduct complained of in this action, Defendant knowingly and intentionally violated Plaintiffs' rights. Defendant's knowledge and intent are established by the following facts:
- (a) Defendant has not sought or obtained a license agreement from Plaintiffs or the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP), a performing rights licensing organization of which all Plaintiffs are members.
- (b) Despite numerous letters and other contacts by ASCAP representatives informing the Defendant of their liability under the United States Copyright Law, Defendant has continued to perform copyrighted music without permission during the hours that Defendant's establishment is open to the public for business and presenting musical entertainment.
- (c) The many unauthorized performances at Sahara Café include the performances of the five copyrighted musical compositions upon which this action is based.

- 13. At the times of the acts of infringement complained of, the Plaintiff named in each cause of action was the owner of the copyright in the composition therein named.
- 14. The said wrongful acts of the Defendant have caused and are causing great injury to the Plaintiffs, which damage cannot be accurately computed, and unless this Court restrains the Defendant from the further commission of said acts, said Plaintiffs will suffer irreparable injury, for all of which the said Plaintiffs are without any adequate remedy at law.

### WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs pray:

- I. That Defendant and all persons acting under the direction, control, permission or authority of Defendant be enjoined and restrained permanently from publicly performing the aforementioned compositions or any of them and from causing or permitting the said compositions to be publicly performed in Defendant's said premises, or in any place owned, controlled or conducted by Defendant, and from aiding or abetting the public performance of such compositions in any such place or otherwise.
- II. That Defendant be decreed to pay such statutory damages as to the Court shall appear just, as specified in 17

U.S.C. § 504(c)(1), namely, not more than Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000) nor less than Seven Hundred And Fifty Dollars (\$750) in each cause of action herein.

III. That Defendant be decreed to pay the costs of this action and that a reasonable attorney's fee be allowed as part of the costs.

IV. For such other and further relief as may be just and equitable.

By their attorneys,

Holland & Knight, LLP

By:

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Cause of Action	Plaintiff	Musical Composition	Writers	Date of Publication	Certificate of Registration Number	Renewal	Renewal Certificate Date and Number	Date of Known Infringe- ment
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## CIVIL COVER SHEET

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### INSTRUCTIONS FOR ATTORNEYS COMPLETING CIVIL COVER SHEET FORM JS 44

#### Authority For Civil Cover Sheet

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- I. (a) Plaintiffs-Defendants. Enter names (last, first, middle initial) of plaintiff and defendant. If the plaintiff or defendant is a government agency, use only the full name or standard abbreviations. If the plaintiff or defendant is an official within a government agency, identify first the agency and then the official, giving both name and title.
- (b) County of Residence. For each civil case filed, except U.S. plaintiff cases, enter the name of the county where the first listed plaintiff resides at the time of filing. In U.S. plaintiff cases, enter the name of the county in which the first listed defendant resides at the time of filing. (NOTE: In land condemnation cases, the county of residence of the "defendant" is the location of the tract of land involved.)
- (c) Attorneys. Enter the firm name, address, telephone number, and attorney of record. If there are several attorneys, list them on an attachment, noting in this section "(see attachment)".
- II. Jurisdiction. The basis of jurisdiction is set forth under Rule 8(a), F.R.C.P., which requires that jurisdictions be shown in pleadings. Place an "X" in one of the boxes. If there is more than one basis of jurisdiction, precedence is given in the order shown below.

United States plaintiff. (1) Jurisdiction based on 28 U.S.C. 1345 and 1348. Suits by agencies and officers of the United States are included here.

United States defendant. (2) When the plaintiff is suing the United States, its officers or agencies, place an "X" in this box.

Federal question. (3) This refers to suits under 28 U.S.C. 1331, where jurisdiction arises under the Constitution of the United States, an amendment to the Constitution, an act of Congress or a treaty of the United States. In cases where the U.S. is a party, the U.S. plaintiff or defendant code takes precedence, and box 1 or 2 should be marked.

Diversity of citizenship. (4) This refers to suits under 28 U.S.C. 1332, where parties are citizens of different states. When Box 4 is checked, the citizenship of the different parties must be checked. (See Section III below; federal question actions take precedence over diversity cases.)

- III. Residence (citizenship) of Principal Parties. This section of the JS 44 is to be completed if diversity of citizenship was indicated above. Mark this section for each principal party.
- IV. Nature of Suit. Place an "X" in the appropriate box. If the nature of suit cannot be determined, be sure the cause of action, in Section VI below, is sufficient to enable the deputy clerk or the statistical clerks in the Administrative Office to determine the nature of suit. If the cause fits more than one nature of suit, select the most definitive.
- V. Origin. Place an "X" in one of the seven boxes.

Original Proceedings. (1) Cases which originate in the United States district courts.

Removed from State Court. (2) Proceedings initiated in state courts may be removed to the district courts under Title 28 U.S.C., Section 1441. When the petition for removal is granted, check this box.

Remanded from Appellate Court. (3) Check this box for cases remanded to the district court for further action. Use the date of remand as the filing date.

Reinstated or Reopened. (4) Check this box for cases reinstated or reopened in the district court. Use the reopening date as the filing date.

Transferred from Another District. (5) For cases transferred under Title 28 U.S.C. Section 1404(a). Do not use this for within district transfers or multidistrict litigation transfers.

Multidistrict Litigation. (6) Check this box when a multidistrict case is transferred into the district under authority of Title 28 U.S.C. Section 1407. When this box is checked, do not check (5) above.

Appeal to District Judge from Magistrate Judgment. (7) Check this box for an appeal from a magistrate judge's decision.

- VI. Cause of Action. Report the civil statute directly related to the cause of action and give a brief description of the cause. Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity.

  Example:

  U.S. Civil Statute: 47 USC 553
  Brief Description: Unauthorized reception of cable service
- VII. Requested in Complaint. Class Action. Place an "X" in this box if you are filing a class action under Rule 23, F.R.Cv.P.

Demand. In this space enter the dollar amount (in thousands of dollars) being demanded or indicate other demand such as a preliminary injunction.

Jury Demand. Check the appropriate box to indicate whether or not a jury is being demanded.

VIII. Related Cases. This section of the JS 44 is used to reference related pending cases if any. If there are related pending cases, insert the docket numbers and the corresponding judge names for such cases.

Date and Attorney Signature. Date and sign the civil cover sheet.

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